

# **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

**For**

**Sister Tama Payton-Felder**



**SUNRISE**

**November 23, 1949**

**SUNSET**

**September 6, 2019**

**Tuesday, September 17, 2019  
11:00 a.m.**

**St. John Missionary Baptist Church  
662 South 52nd Street  
Richmond, California 94804**

**Dr. Kevin B. Hall, Pastor & Officiating**



## OBITUARY

**Psalms 27:4** One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of The Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of The Lord and to enquire in His temple.

Tama Payton-Felder, 69, of San Pablo, California departed from her earthly home to take her eternal rest on Friday, September 6, 2019 at 10:30 p.m. at Kaiser Hospital in San Francisco. Tama was born to the proud parents of the late John L. Robinson and Mattie Lee Raymond on November 23, 1949 in Oakland, California. She was the youngest of four children. Years after the passing of her father, her mother remarried Abram Bartie who was a loving and caring step-father.

Tama accepted Christ and was baptized at an early age at the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Oakland under the leadership of Rev. W. A. Holly. She later united with the St. John Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. R. L. Johnson. She was a faithful member who, during her earlier years, served with the Jr. Choir and Culinary. She loved to sing and had a strong Alto voice. She was a faithful member of the Voices of St. John and later joined the Golden Agers where she served as Activities Chairperson. She loved her church and enjoyed serving up until her final days.

Tama attended Clawson and Durant Elementary Schools, Hoover Jr. High, and graduated from McClymonds High School in Oakland. She met and married Lonnie Payton and to this union two children were born, their son, Lawrence, and their daughter, Tamanica. She was an excellent wife, mother, sister, friend, homemaker and cook. She prided herself in her ability to cook scrumptious meals and loved to share her meals and recipes with family and friends.

Tama held several positions throughout her career at Safeway, Naval Supply, and the City of Richmond. She became a Contra Costa County employee where she worked for 26 years, retiring from the Juvenile Probation Department in Martinez as an Intake Specialist.

Preceding her in death, her parents, John and Mattie Robinson, step-father, Abram Bartie, ex-husband, Lonnie Payton, nephew, Steven Brooks, and brother in law, Joe Downs I.

Here to cherish her memories are her daughter, Tamanica Payton, son, Lawrence Payton, two sisters, Pearl Downs (James), Rose Brooks (Leon), one brother, John Robinson (Gaylia), two nieces, Andrea and Stayci, two nephews, Joe II and Phillip, two grand nieces, De'ja and Alicia, two grand nephews, Alex (Sasha) and Jordan, husband, Eric Felder, loving sister in law, Ghaliyah (John), four step-children, Yanna (Antonio), Eric Jr. (Carlisa), Calvin (Jamila), Erica (Vincent), 12 step granddaughters, and a host of cousins and friends. Special friends, Rhonda Blocker, Carolyn Silas, and Yvonne Qualls & Family (Enrica, Christopher and Savannah).



## ORDER OF CELEBRATION

**Musical Prelude**

**Processional**

**Scripture Readings**

**Old Testament**

**New Testament**

**Prayer**

**Musical Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Resolution**

**Obituary**

**Expressions - 2 minutes please**

**Musical Selection**

**Words of Comfort**

**Final Viewing & Recessional**

**Interment**

**Clergy and Family**

**Min. Peggy Alexander**

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**Min. Derek Jackson**

**The Voices of St. John**

**Sis. Dolores Hill**

**Sis. Iola Baker**

**Read Silently**

**Rev. Otis Harris**

**Sis. Connie Lopez**

**Sis. Yvonne Qualls**

**The Voices of St. John**

**Pastor Kevin B. Hall**

**Stewart's Rose Manor**

**Rolling Hills Memorial Park,  
Richmond, CA**

**Repast at St. John Missionary Baptist Church - R. L. Johnson Fellowship Hall**





## **ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**

**Corey Qualls**

**John Palmer**

**Earl Williams**

**Curtis Axel**

**Steven Porter**

**Michael Hilliard**

## **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

**Lawrence Payton**

**Eric Felder**

**Leon Brooks**

**Phillip Robinson**

**Jordan Brooks**

**John Robinson**

**James Williams**

**Joe Downs II**

**Alex Robinson**

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The family extends a sincere thank you to everyone for all of the kind deeds and expressions of love shown during the home going of our beloved, Sister Tama Payton-Felder. Special thanks to Pastor Kevin B. Hall and The St. John Missionary Baptist Church Family who have really stood behind us during this time. We pray that God will continue to smile upon each of you and bless you beyond measure.



**Final arrangements entrusted to  
Stewart's Rose Manor Funeral Service  
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